

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Title: METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF AN OPTICAL TRANSMISSION ELEMENT COMPRISING A FILLED CHAMBER ELEMENT AND OPTICAL TRANSMISSION ELEMENT

**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING RCE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

In response to the Final Office Action dated July 17, 2008, the following amendment(s) and/or remark(s) are submitted. Applicants respectfully request that this reply be entered into the record as a substantive reply to the outstanding Office Action.

**Applicants request a two-month extension of time with authorization to charge required fees to Deposit Account No. 03-3325.**

Applicants further request withdrawal from Appeal and examination on the merits in light of the following amendments and remarks.

If any additional fees are necessitated by this Amendment, the Office is authorized to charge the additional fees to Deposit Account No. 03-3325.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims beginning on page 2 of this paper; and

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.

**Conclusion** begins on page 6 of this paper.